

Remarks

Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claim Status

Claims 1-2, 16-17, 41-42 and 44 are pending in the Application. Claims 3-15, 18-40, 43, and 45-67 have been canceled.

Claims 1-2 and 16-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as claiming the same invention in claims of US Patent 6,749,111.

Claims 41-42 and 44 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims in US Patent 6,749,111.

The 35 U.S.C. § 101 Rejections

Claims have been amended to advance prosecution. The amendment of a claim shall not constitute an admission that the unamended claim was unpatentable in any manner. Applicants reserve all rights to file another application (e.g., a divisional application) relating to any claim.

The claims have been amended to recite "documents" instead of "sheets". Support for "documents" can be found throughout the Specification. For example, note the Specification at page 4, lines 12-14; page 6, lines 17-18; page 10, lines 7-9; page 16, lines 6-10; page 26, lines 5-6; and page 33, lines 8-10. Furthermore, the language "each of" was also added to claim 1. This language finds support in claim 41, step (b).

The Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejections

A terminal disclaimer is filed herewith with regard to US Patent 6,749,111. Acceptance thereof is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is now in condition for allowance.

The undersigned is willing to discuss any aspect of the Application by telephone at the Office's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,



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